

## SUMMARY OF INITIAL SURVEY

The year-long Fauquier County Community Conversations engagement process included the use of online surveys as a method for gathering broader input from residents. The County shared results from these surveys throughout the process with county leaders, stakeholders, and the general public via the Community Conversations website. Over the course of this process, survey responses helped guide and shape the outcomes of the project. This document contains a summary of the initial survey.

## Initial Survey Results

Q1 - In which community do you live?	Count of Responses
Warrenton	96
Other	48
New Baltimore	37
Marshall	21
The Plains	14
Orlean	11
Remington	8
No Response	8
Midland	8
Delaplane	7
Sumerduck	5
Fauquier Springs	4
Rectortown	3
Bristerburg	3
Casanova	2
Goldvein	2
Halfway	2
Hume	2
Markham	2
Atoka	1
Upperville	1
Morrisville	1
Elk Run	1
Grand Total	287

Q2 - What is your age range?	Count of Responses
50 to 59	91
40 to 49	59
60 to 69	48
30 to 39	46
70 or older	16
18 to 29	15

No Response	6
35 to 44	6
Grand Total	287

Q3 - What one word best describes what you love about living in Fauquier County?	Count of Occurrences
Rural	38
No Response	19
peaceful	15
Community	11
Beautiful	9
Quiet	9
Beauty	9
home	6
location	5
Green	5
Tranquility	4
countryside	4
Nature	4
Quaint	3
Nothing	3
Country	3
Open Space	3
heritage	2
Family	2
People	2
Vistas	2
Landscape	2
Community	2
Charming	2
Open land	2
Horses	2
Rural life	2
Farmland	2
Serenity	2
Rural community	2
Small	2
friendly	2
Simple	2
Open spaces	2
Tranquil	2

Q3 - What one word best describes what you love about living in Fauquier County?	Count of Occurrences
Country	2
Bucolic	2
Peace	2
Openness	2
Small community atmosphere	1
Farmlands	1
Green Grass	1
History	1
Scenic quality	1
Agriculture	1
The close community	1
Comfort	1
variety	1
I don't love living in Fauquier	1
Rural non-suburban nature of the community	1
I grew up here and it's home.	1
Bike path	1
I was drawn to Fauquier County for its quaintness, quality schools and proximity to DC.	1
Sparse.	1
integrated	1
The rural beauty	1
Its authenticity: it is a real place with unique and authentic towns.	1
Undeveloped	1
land	1
Wholesome	1
Comfortable	1
Rural landscapes, caring community	1
Lifestlye	1
Rural!	1
Local	1
Schools	1
Communities	1
Slower-paced	1
My family farm and small community feel.	1
small-businesses	1
America	1

Q3 - What one word best describes what you love about living in Fauquier County?	Count of Occurrences
Suburban	1
Neighborly	1
The laid back open feeling	1
Balance	1
The views	1
Open	1
agrarian	1
Open farm land	1
Unspoiled rural beauty	1
Connected	1
views, even in subdivisions	1
Connected community, not over populated, friendly people, rural beauty, agriculture	1
Rural area, ok to farm and have animals	1
convenience	1
Rural culture	1
Open Spaces	1
Farms	1
Openness	1
Rural setting, Open space, Horse trails and eve	1
basic	1
Scenic	1
(2 words) rural charm	1
Schools	1
pastoral	1
See home page <a href="http://www.emrisse.com">www.emrisse.com</a>	1
Access	1
Friendships	1
Beautiful.	1
Breathe	1
Peaceful	1
Small Town Feel	1
Peacefullness	1
Smalltown	1
peacefulness	1
Style	1
Diversity	1
Terrain	1

Q3 - What one word best describes what you love about living in Fauquier County?	Count of Occurrences
Place	1
The History	1
preservation	1
The people who work so hard to make Fauquier a great place to live!	1
Privacy, quiet, country smell of sweetness	1
The small town atmosphere	1
Proximity	1
things are close to get to	1
Ease	1
Tranquil	1
Quantl	1
uncongested	1
easy	1
Unique	1
Quiet	1
Upscale, sophisticated small-town atmosphere	1
removed	1
Vibrant Service Districts (with services including Broadband) and pristine open space. The Balanced Growth Alliance has the perfect model and it is 100% from grass-roots inputs of the citizens of the County.	1
Affordable	1
Heritage	1
bicycling	1
Historic	1
Rural agriculture area	1
Options	1

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
Accessible natural areas, back roads
Our own 100 acres of forest
Orlean market, feed stores in Marshall, the back roads.
Sky Meadows
the open country
Main Street, architecture, beautiful open spaces, small town friendliness
Great Meadows, Old Town

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
the small town feel and quaintness of Main Street
Old Town Warrenton; Great Meadow; Blantyre Road; Airlie; Poplar Springs; rolling fields
My neighborhood.
My home
Gum drop square the plains
Main Street, parks
Main Street
My neighborhood
The mix of open space and quaint economic centers (e.g. Warrenton, Marshall, Vint Hill)
The Plains, Warrenton, the peaceful country roads
The combination of open natural beauty and small, walkable towns.
the downtown CBD, Rte 211 viewsheds, parks, natural beauty
My property
My property, Rady Park, Crocket Park, Old Town Warrenton
Countryside, Rappahannock River, Old Town Warrenton
old town
Main St. Warrenton, wineries, mountains/hiking, rolling hills, historic estates
My back porch
Vint Hill, Old Town, Town of Warrenton
Old Town, pastoral views, my home
Warrenton
Farms, Scenic Views, Public Lands, Old Town Warrenton
Paris Valley, beautiful countryside
various communities in the area
Parks, Horse farms, open green space
Rappahannock River
Marshall
My home and land
All the little historic downtowns.
My 5 acres of privacy
Nothing
The beautiful backroads roads that are surrounded by rolling pastures full of cows and horses.
Old Town
That's tough. The rural nature of the southern end and the area around Kelly's Ford.
Wineries, cow fields, mountain and hill views
The rolling hills, farms and streams
Fun For All Playground, Warrenton Main Street, the Big Roller Skate
The open fields.

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
My home
crockett park
Farmland, parks, lakes, service districts with shopping so I do not need to ever leave Fauquier.
WARF
Open countryside & farms, Old Town Warrenton and Warrenton Middle School (where 3 generations of my family attended school
Shopping, WARF, doctors/dentist, restaurants, downtown
Friends, safety, parks, schools
Northern Community Park, the town of marshall, 688, atoka rd, moo thru,
Orlean, Warrenton
Open, undeveloped areas
Horse farms, historical areas
Farmland
My neighborhood
Warrenton Middle School, Carousel
Mountains, Downtown Warrenton, old villages (Hume, Orlean, etc)
open spaces
Main Street, WYSC
Countryside, Trails, Farms, Small Villages
The beauty
Northern Fauquier
Crockett Park, Whitney Park, Marshal Park
towns and countryside
Farms
old town warrenton
Wineries
Any of the historic places
my front yard
My farm, the Library
Old Town Warrenton, Great Meadow, wineries, equestrian centers, restaurants, Fairgrounds, Crockett Park, Monroe Park,
See answer number four
Horse farms, wineries,
Downtown
My back yard, My subdivision, Downtown Warrenton, Route 600
Parks, outdoors
Main Street Warrenton, beautiful farms of nothern and southern farms
family oriented places
WARF, Main Street, wineries, Farmers Markets, all community parks
wineries

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
I used to love the countryside, but development seems to be overtaking the open spaces and the sense of contentment I once enjoyed.
whitney state forest; parks and playgrounds; WARF; library
All
Viewsheds, like the Paris Gap etc
Bull Run Mountain
Open roads
Non-franchise shopping and restaurants.
main street
WARF, trails, parks, mountains
The rural areas, Main Street in Warrenton, the small local shops in The Plains and Marshall
Main Street, Hospital Hill views, countryside
Farms
the open spaces
farms, fields, forests, mountains, small towns
the open fields and parks
farms
The farms and equine venues
my farm, crockett park, extension office
Parks and our home
Our back yard with view of Cobblers and Blue Ridge mt
Rural scenery, old town
Open fields and woods
Northern, Western, Southern Fauquier
My home, the rural areas, parks small towns
Home
The northern part is very beautiful, but my family has roots in the Elk Run area since before 1800. So the family heritage/link to southern Fauquier also has a special meaning.
The farmlands, the parks- Sky Meadows and the Appalachian Trail (many thanks to Paul and Bunny Mellon), the historic charm and beauty of land and homes and churches that are CARED FOR and PRESERVED....
Warrenton, Marshall, country roads
The open spaces surrounding my community
Wineries
Lake Brittle
conservation easements
Ashby Gap, Sky Meadows State Park, Thompsons and Phelps wildlife areas, Goose Creek
great meadow, old town, farm fields

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
my home
views, mountains, farms
The towns and hamlets where I grew up - Halfway, The Plains, Marshall - and the rich rural resources, clean air and water that surround them, like Little River, Middleton's Mountain and the Bull Run, and the rolling pastureland and forests.
open space
My farm, rural roads, scenic open places
Old Town Warrenton, The Plains
poplar springs, wineries, farmers markets
The farms. The rural communities. The hometown feel.
Ag farms, wineries, fine restaurants
Lees Ridge Road, Farm Ponds
Old town Warrenton, rural open spaces, my towhouse
Sky Meadows, Rady Park, farmers market, Vint Hill
Rappahannock River, Backroads, LHS
Parks and old town
No place in particular, I just enjoy Fauquier
My home.
Open farm land, clean streams, mountain views
Old Town section of Warrenton
Parks
Main Street, Warrenton; Liberty Hill Pet Resort; Rappahannock River; the mountains
Parks, Fairground
CM Crocket park and Warrenton
Main street, Frost Diner, the Warf, the church buildings,
view
Farms, trees, ambience
Fields and forests, farms, towns, communities, friendly people.
Sky meadows, wineries, red truck bakery, the warf, Main Street, Rady park
Parks
My family farm and Old Town Warrenton
Blantyre Rd area, The Plains,
My home and property, schools,
Old town, Vint Hill, Airlie, Parks,
Open space and Old Town
open space, parks
Pastorial
The Plains, Old Town
Farms
Athey Fields,

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
farms and small communities
Sky Meadows, Bull Run Mts, open spaces, The Plains
Open space landscape
Warrenton
Historical areas
our historic places and rural open landscape
Main Street
the undeveloped land and the farm lands--the places that don't make us look like one giant housing development after another.
Sky Meadows
Farms
Farms
Open spaces.
Rappahannock River
Back roads
Parks
Airlie, The Parks
Farms, historic properties, small towns
Farmland
farms
Main Street, back roads, views of the mountains
Preserved open space and hayfields
Catlett, the rural areas
Wooded areas, open vistas, small towns, livestock, wild life, good people, freedoms, access to larger towns, metropolitan areas and airports
Shenandoah parks
home
Crockett Park, the Greenway, Rollerworks skating rink,
Downtown Warrenton
Historic places
The town of Warrenton, the scenic back roads
Parks, downtown,schools
The Free State
Main Street, School
farms in Calverton
small town shops
The view of Sterling Valley from my back deck
Our farm
Scenic countryside; Old Town and historic areas
Downtown

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
The country
Warrenton Presbyterian Church
Open spaces, agriculture, horses
All of the old town main streets (Warrenton, The Plains); the WARF
Quiet roads near Catlett and Casanova, Old Town Warrenton, Sky Meadows
Main Street and the parks
Farms
Old town. Wish it was more inviting though
Small country roads
Wine
Open fields, mountain views, farms, horses, cows, country roads, forests
My home
Wineries, Old Town Warrenton, and Carousel.
Farmland, mountain views
Historical sites
Old town
all the beautiful farms and downtown villages
History and open spaces
our farm
none in particular
Non-Chains like Drum and Strum and Black Bear as well as Old Towne
The Plains, Rectortown, Little River, Rock Hill Mill Road, Glenwood Park
The Blue Ridge, Goose Creek, open farmland, the animal wildlife, horses
The open space and undeveloped land.
Parks
Mountains
My home
my hometown
Farmscapes
Old town, the parks, and rural setting
Old Town(s), beautiful rural landscape, small shops and family owned restaurants, quiet living, fishing, trail walking, history!
Open space; old buildings -- where ever located
Those with views of the beautiful mountains.
Green spaces
The countryside
Main Street, Outdoor activities
Vint Hill and Warrenton
Rolling pastures, open spaces, trails, main streets, wineries
Community Touch, Free Clinic, FISH, PCR meeting rooms.

Q4 - What places do you treasure most in Fauquier County?
Main Street, open spaces, farmers markets, beautiful farmland
Lake Brittle, Old Town
Home
My home (off Walker Dr), Main st Warrenton, Sumerduck
Old Town, Marshall Area
Parks, greenways, library,
Bull Run Mountain, The Plains, Marshall, Warrenton
Scenic Drives
Old town Warrenton, Frost Diner, Athey field complex and trails
Open space, historic properties
None
Marshall, Old Town Warrenton
My living space
New Baltimore
Great Meadows, Warrenton Main St
viewsheds
I love the historical areas and the charm, along with the scenery
Rural Land, Quaint Restaurants, Wineries
My forest.
Crop fields
Old town Warrenton, Orlean, Hume, Opal, Rappahannock River, Lees Ridge Road, Springs Road, Whitney State Forest
My home & downtown Warrenton
Old Town and all the country vistas
open space
Farmers' Market, antique & thrift stores, mom & pop businesses
Home
Crockett Park
Paris, Atoka, Delaplane, Cobbler Mtn
home
All
Main St. Warrenton
Our farm, Open fields, Warrenton historic downtown

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
Higher quality services, foster more growth in service districts
more of a village in New Baltimore, a sense of place. More scenic road design, including more landscaping, like rural roads in New England
Road improvement in Warrenton, opal and bealeton. As the growth in that area develops. Routes 29 and 17 can't handle the additional traffic.

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
Growth of Agritourism, Construction and success of a real Mixed-Use Project
I like Fauquier as it is, the best improvement would be encouraging more small businesses to help fill spaces already available. What I don't want: Costco, more chain stores and/or restaurants, parklets (I do like the idea of shop owners adding benches to the walkway).
Better tax base. As a homeowner it is getting frustrating to be the only fund from which to raise more money. Would also love to see the entire entryway to Warrenton made more appealing. Right now 29 is just gaudy old hotels, gas stations, and car lots. Why would anyone want to stop? Also need better signage to Main St. And the visitor center.
More things to do with family
fewer big business... work towards unifying currenty businesses to make a town instead of another Gainesville or Manassas.
Traffic-calming on Business 29; chess/checker tables in parks
I would like to see more businesses that include shopping and entertainment so I don't have to travel outside of the county for services. I am pro-business and pro-growth so I can spend my dollars in county and drive revenue for schools and police. If I had known this county was not serious about funding competitive schools and law enforcement I would not have moved here, no matter how beautiful it is. We are way behind!
Gradual development. Less houses, more commercial/ industrial.
slow growth
Better funding school fire and rescue
No big box stores. Support local small stores. Stop building more houses
More parks less development
Large corporations come to Fauquier Co. so we can have good paying jobs and not go out of the county to get them instead of more low paying retail and grocery stores
Continue to develop in service districts while supporting programs to keep ag land open.
We MUST improve broadband access and affordability! It is killing small businesses, it is driving educated residents away, and it hampers economic growth. It is the 21st century - we need to recognize that broadband access is as important as electricity now.
better places to play, to convene, to support community connections: improved main streets, parks, community centers (not just land set aside for parks, but creation of parks that are special and well designed and well funded. Emphasis on the on the ground experience of our community places.
Development of Route 29 as a parkway-type road with limited access; preservation of scenic viewsheds, residential neighborhoods integrated within mixed-use development
Less houses, more business
More vibrant Main Streets; enhanced preservation of rural lands
I would like to see Springs Road widened and made safer for all of the bicyclists that travel on it.

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
More entertainment/dining options, better broadband/wireless internet access, more variety of housing stock, more unique/locally-owned businesses, more trails for hiking/biking
more things for our kids to do and places to shop. I spend all my money in Prince William County
We need more retail and restaurant options in Old Town, on Main St. and beyond. Plus a few more destination quality places in the countryside.
Industrial development, in appropriate areas, to broaden tax base.
More restaurants, things for young adults to do, Less antique stores on Main Street, Better parking in Old Town (especially for the courthouse), better grocery store in Bealeton/shopping
Carefully managed growth, easier said than done.
Add larger businesses, give people a chance to make money in the county without traveling outside the county. Also, build infrastructure such public water in the growing areas and affordable housing.
Consideration of historic resources in development and growth of the county
Smart urban planning that minimizes sprawl and emphasis community.
wired high speed internet availability
More wide-spread access to High Speed Internet
Better roads and more police to enforce speed limits
Route 28 made safer, water and sewer in service districts
Stop giving tax breaks to wealthy landowners
Better shopping
controlled and managed development
Road shoulders and drainage improvements. Litter control!! More road checks for sobriety, vehicle conditions, insurance etc.
Citizens need to get off their high horses and look at surrounding counties. A much stronger business tax base is needed. Are you happy that people drive thru Fauquier to spend money in PrWm, Culpr, Stafford?? WAKE UP!!
Stricter adherence to zoning ordinances and greater effort towards historical preservation throughout the county
More businesses returning to Old Town
More care with growth around the towns; Warrenton has evolved and changed so rapidly and the new proposals that I'm reading about seem to trend toward big box development and more standard subdivisions. I'd like to see more emphasis placed on keeping historic resources and open space resources throughout the county and not simply concentrated in one area.
High speed internet, walking/running/biking trails, another access to I-66 at Blantyre Road, more development in town centers of Marshall, Warrenton and other towns with better shopping and dining options.
Encourage more rural activities such as fishing, foxhunting, horseback riding that gave the Piedmont its reputation and heritage
facilities for nonprofits to better programs!
None. Just basic maintenance.

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
None
More business' in Bealeton
Thoughtful Strategic Plan that is actually fully implemented. More involvement like this survey and outreach. We MUST get our people off of 66 and into the high-tech jobs they need and deserve right here in Fauquier (think Vint Hill and Marshall).
More real business; competition for existing business
Less development, retain open space. Fill open store fronts, no more commercial or residential growth
A more vibrant Old Town and heritage tourism
Removal of open space tax relief
Improvements to services in service districts, better use of laND use taxation to encourage agriculture
Neighbors unsightly trash and abandoned vehicles.
Better road maintenance on secondary/tertiary roads
More family-friendly entertainment, making Old Town Warrenton more attractive and exciting, encourage more small businesses (cafe, coffeeshops, eateries, etc), and overall better planning when it comes to adding more homes.
mainstreet growth.
Eliminate alternative septic systems
Better support for education, Diversification of the Tax base, and appropriate business brought in so people can live and work in Fauquier
Allow wineries to start selling food they make. Also, no more expansion in Opal and these areas, keep it all rural, as rural as possible.
managed growth
revitalization of Main Street - more retail & foot traffic
More shops in downtown Warrenton.
Retain country life
More land preserved
we need high speed internet at a decent cost!! being stuck with high-cost, low data caps is terrible for residents and for our economy. also would like to see more stores and shops, development done in a tastefulway (i.e. none of these subdivisions where they cut down all the old growth trees and leave a sterile, identical landscape)
VRE service
diversity
LESS DEVELOPMENT!!
more shops in old town warrenton
better wi-fi - kids to walk/bike/skateboard to school - better / heathier foods in school - farmers markets -
The opal area desperately needs help
more public transportation, Warrenton as a walking town with outskirt parking
Gradual increase in viable business in Warrenton & surrounding area
More fully developed and dense service districts, more organized transportation system, walkable neighborhoods (with reasons and places to walk--i.e. restaurants,

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
shopping, activities), intentional and supported agriculture and agricultural infrastructure, awareness of cultural values and the organic nature of our community--the people who live and work here.
Evolve to functional, sustainable urban enclave with a Balance of J H S R A in a sustainable CountrySide
Less cars, less people
Better business and road planning
Commercial (tax base) growth in service districts that discourages new residential (increases taxes) but provides jobs for current residents which will reduce commuting to Pr. William/fairfax
Services in service districts.
less cookie cutter developments, less Northern Virginia sprawl, less giant commercial fair representation of citizens serving as board members, increased salaries for county employess, community recreational businesses, improved shopping,
Expansion of walking/biking trails, more local entertainment activities - particularly for young folks (movies, bowling,etc.), growth at Vint Hill Farms
County ordinances/laws encouraging more vineyard/winery operations in the county.
I would like to see improvement that benefits the existing citizenry by providing more educational opportunities, more job opportunities (other than retail), more wildlife and nature preservation, less new housing developments
more affordable housing for low and middle income families; reduction in real estate taxes
None
Its FABULOUS as is....it is the lack of change that makes us unique.
Recycling bike lanes
More kindness.
Less new homes/developments
Local politics need to change. More services need to be placed in the service districts, including target services for our youth.
Smart planning and growth for the growing population, walkable streets, trails connecting communities, smart planning for retail businesses
Would love to see more focus on walkable development in the service districts, primarily in Old Town Warrenton and Marshall. We can gradually grow without destroying the rural area if development is kept in the right places. I want more things to do, places to eat, etc., but I want to be able to walk to them.
Restaurants, Shopping, better access to businesses
Less sprawl and more containment of service districts, and the creation of major water reservoirs for the high population areas
keep "building" in service districts
(a) a more robust downtown in Warrenton; and (b) nice comfortable community gathering places for groups from 10-50
more areas for shopping so folks don't have to go out of county for shopping
Implementation of county wide, comprehensive, natural surface trail system
broadband

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
Better water conservation
Rt. 29 improvement, movie theater
Reduced growth, less nighttime light, fewer box stores with large parking lots.
Less developments like Brookside, Raymond Farms. Any new developments "fit" in with the existing architecture and pastoral landscape.
A movie theater, bowling alley, other recreational activities
Better stores
I would like to see the cessation of "infrastructure dumping" in southern Fauquier. Just because it isn't as pretty or as rich as the northern end, does not mean we should continue to be the repository of power plants and transmission lines.
Signs advising TRUCK traffic against GPS routing- these little backroads can't handle big trucks. Keep big builders out- they have already messed up Loudoun and Prince William...
no change, keep the commuters and sprawl out of Fauquier County
Improved infrastructure for the schools
Access to Internet and better cellular service
smart growth, development in service districts that can support it, more land in conservation!
Maintain rural character, strengthen service districts, keep PDRs, don't let developers take over
more walk/bike/horse transportation options, better use of existing built spaces
Improved roads, more businesses and jobs, more local entertainment
high speed internet!
Affordable rural broadband to every home in the county to connect children and adults to the wider world without losing our rural landscape.
better wifi
Attract business, build out service districts
Bike safety/designated lanes in rural areas. Lower speed limits and bike warnings for autos
continue to concentrate growth to service districts
None. They "improved" Nokesville, Gainesville, Bristow and Gainesville. It is awful. The way of Fairfax and Leesburg. One huge parking lot of strip malls and unleashed buildings.
Movie theatre, more social activities for young families, restrictions on development to prevent over population, retain the way it is now and don't become the next manassas
Smart commercial development that promotes restaurants, community activities, places to truly live, work and have recreational activities without leaving the county for 2 of those three things.
I would like to see more concentrated grow in towns and villages. I would like to see improved traffic flow and fewer lights and more traffic circles when they make sense. I would like to see improved educational quality in the public shools, which does not have to mean spending more money on education, but more engadement by

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
participants in the system and valuing the education provided. I would like to see that when new housing is built it is good quality.
Improved schools
Pay teachers and school staff more. This isn't something that should be done slowly over time either. This should be done over the next 5-10 years. I'm not just talking the pitiful couple percentage points raise you just gave them, which was only possible by cutting budget in other places. This should bring us up to compete with the \$60,000/yr. medians in surrounding counties. The teacher pay vs. cost of living here is absolutely abhorrent. I was just at LHS talking to one of the many teachers who have had an incredible influence on my life, and he told me that since one of the teachers in his department was leaving to pursue a doctorate degree, they lost the position and will have to cut classes as a result. Many of the teachers I had in high school are overqualified and far underpaid. One took a \$20,000 pay cut to come and start teaching here only because he feels teaching is his calling. Yes, that is a personal decision, but the dedication of our teachers should be rewarded instead of showing how little our county cares by cutting an already "bare bones" budget. It is sad that your singular focus is how scared shitless people are of becoming the next Prince William or Fairfax, and that this county will never stop spending money on "preservation" and invest in things that actually matter. The article that led me to this survey said that one of the challenges you will be confronting in this initiative is an aging population. When your population is aging, the obvious next move is to invest in your youth. I would love to settle down in a rural Fauquier when I am done with college and have a job, but a lot of things that go on with how this county is run make me not want to.
We must have a few more options for evening entertainment and some thing fun for our teens!
More efficient School and Govt which would save \$\$ and stop the need to raise Taxes.
Less control of the county by the PEC.
Create small business hubs with high paying jobs, not commercial strip centers
More shopping options and fast food/sit down restaurants such as a Target/Khol's/Panda Express/Zoe's Kitchen/Olive Garden
Better ways to move through traffic.
I want folks of all ages to live symbiotically throughout the County without segregation of age groups. I want to keep narrow sidewalks where people have to speak to each other to pass by each other.
Encourage open space and parks
More commercial services and retail on Rt. 29
More retail and dining options, make the courthouse and Mosby museum more available to public
better internet and cellphone reception. It is pitiful what we currently have, enough to make me move from here.
Road improvements, safety (fire/police)
More jobs and housing in villages and towns
Fewer subdivision, few developments with apartments. Designated bicycle lanes to keep bicycles off narrow roads, a focus on health and information technology

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businesses moving into small park like campuses, continued moderation of development.
Beautify Lee highway between the Exxon and fosters. It is the one area that turns me off around warrenton
More bike trails
To keep rural farmland as rural farmland and not housing developments
Fewer new shopping centers in middle to northern part of county. Would love a Costco in Bealton. Need a VRE station.
No more grocery stores or pharmacies, would love Costco, no more fast food places, spruce up signs at Fauquier Motel it invites drugs and trash, focus on development in northern end as well, don't allow undesirable things pushed into Opal as an option always, clean the schools - literally, keep Taylor as historic it is part of our story, build a new school, movie theater and bowling, I want my tax money going to our schools, not surrounding counties, fill the empty retail spots-we are looking economically broken, encourage Main Street to open stores on Sundays most people commute and would explore and shop Main Street if it was open all weekend, make the WARF affordable for the kids of our community, maintain the various rec fields, involve the geriatric community invite to rec games, etc.
More things to do for younger people! More restaurants, entertainment, a small venue for live music (like State Theater in Culpeper), a brewery and/or draft house , more community events/festivals. Definitely more handicap parking in Old Town. ,
More connecting walking paths
Revitalize old town Warrenton
There is no such thing as smart growth. More residence equal more traffic which negatively effects agricultural commerce. It also inflates land values that make agriculture dependent on wealthy landowners. The farmers in the middle need to be protected, as they control the large land base necessary for
Controlled business development to help with the tax base so citizens aren't carrying the brunt of the tax burden
More land conservation
Verizon Fios Fiber Optic through out the county
strict development control and respect for private property
Everyone working together to protect open space and natural resources while promoting development within the service districts.
In town more recreation
More business
More recreation in town other than restaurants
additional rehabilitation & reuse of existing buildings and a local tax incentive for encouraging this
High Speed Internet Improvements
Economic growth...no more house's
Provision for affordable housing in each development
Fiber to the home/high speed wired Internet access for the whole county
More leisure opportunities

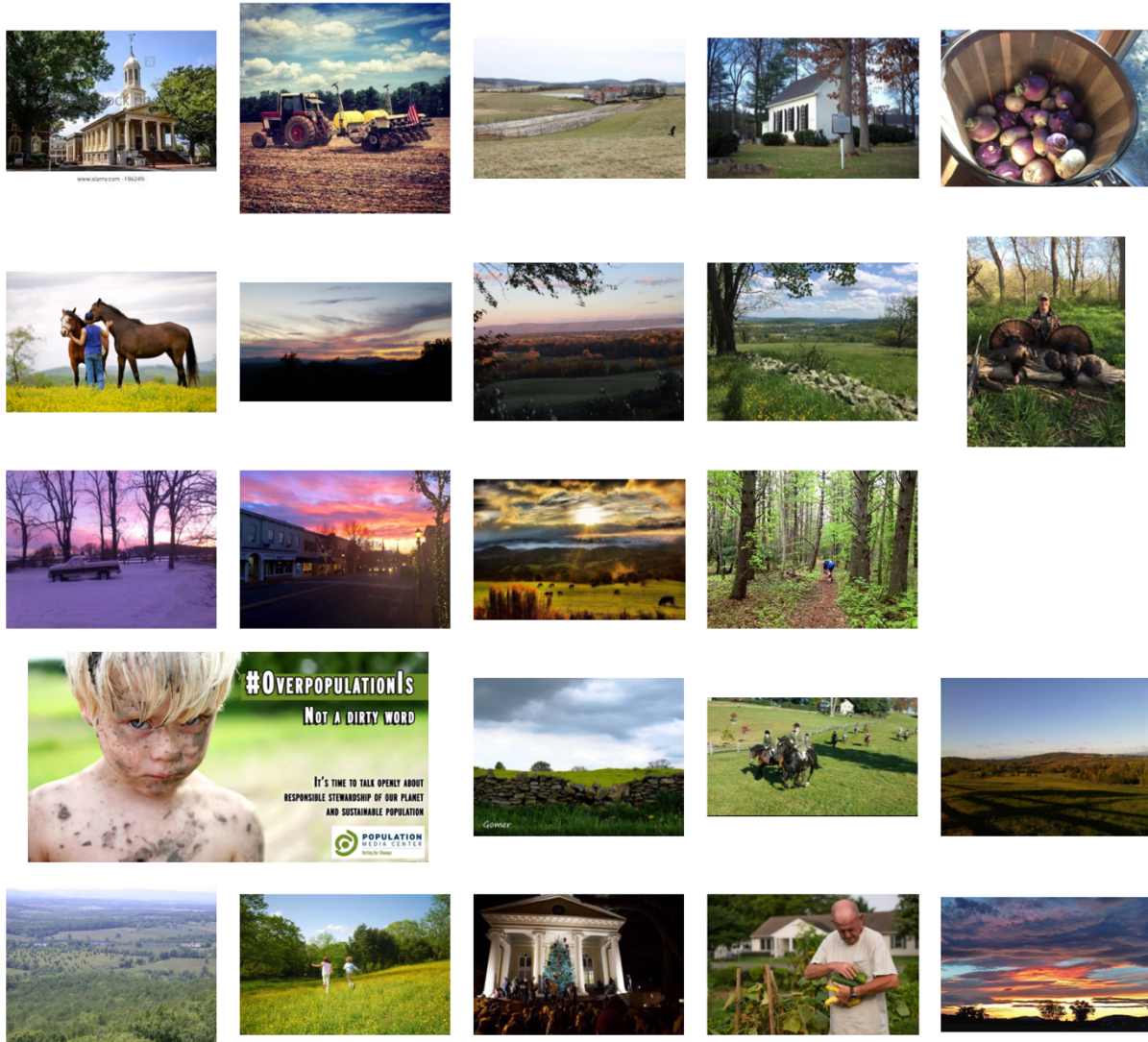
Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
Bowling, theaters, lower taxes
Roads and transportation
Better internet
More shopping options
More bike and walking trails
More protection of farm land
Attention to sustainability/green living
traffic lights on 28 & 605
Traffic pattern down the bypass to 211, more retail, restaurants, more community and family based programs, activities, and events. Bring back the fireman's parade and carnival!!
Limitations to commercial uses in rural areas
Rather than more houses, I would love to see more businesses.
More law enforcement, better pay for those public servants , better pay for teachers, water and sewer issues permanently corrected, calmer traffic, safe walking areas,
Planned growth...local shops and housing
quality jobs
More commercial business (not retail). More family/kid friendly attractions (bowling, movies).
More useful commerce
Better maintenance of roads, improve infrastructure, more professional ems
Improve the traffic flow and appearance along Broad St.
More businesses in localized areas
I am looking forward to the power lines being buried on Main Street in Marshall; it will be an enormous aesthetic improvement. Otherwise, I would like to see a continued emphasis on slowing the growth of subdivisions. Haymarket already looks like Fairfax, and it's headed our way. Now is the time to stop it.
Local shopping and entertainment
need more jobs (non government) in Fauquier County
things for young people to do if they do not go off to college
Increased clean businesses to increase tax base, planned low/mid/high cost housing that has minimal impact on rural nature of county, a developed vision that is realistic.
service districts with community shops in them
possible designated bike paths for cyclists . Its not safe for cyclists or drivers on our rural roads that we enjoy.
Traffic calming along major arterial roadways; protection of watershed and natural resources
Clean up lee highway
Activities for teenagers
Less Grocery stores and retail and more corporations and data companies with higher than minimum wage jobs
Architectural standards so that Fauquier doesn't wind up looking like our counties to the east.

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
Less construction; fewer people; less traffic
Expansion of programs to preserve farms / extinguish development rights, more cycling routes, more walking trails
Shopping and entertainment but not over development to achieve the goal. I would like to keep my dollars in my community, I spend too much in PWC and Culpeper.
No more shopping centers or strip malls being built. Maybe fun market place to buy more local goods.
Smaller service districts, fair water allocations, realistic sewer build-out numbers
Some larger businesses that bring in revenue and jobs. Entertainment venues.
Improved education
More shopping
County wide reliable cell service and high speed Internet
Limit development to designated growth areas
More job opportunities within the county.
No more housing developments. There are too many already.
High speed gigabit internet access
Comcast/Broadband expansion for Internet
continue with the preservation of farms/farmland
I would like to see a BALANCE of traffic and serenity. Fauquier has always been "rural" and that's the "draw". It needs to stay that way. Traffic needs to be managed better, as does development. Homeowners footing the majority of tax burden is difficult.
less traffic
We desperately need apartments that are affordable.
More good paying jobs. Attract companies, not just retail and gas stations
continued focus on land preservation
Speed bumps or speed humps on all entrance roads to Rectortown...too many speeders using Rectortown as a "cut-through" road to Marshall, I-66 or Rte. 50.
Keeping big box stores out and focus more on small businesses and family operated businesses.
Roads around Marshall
Italian restaurant
More shopping options in Warrenton
reduction in train noise and train traffic much to long it blocks two egress areas at times
Impossible: Fewer cars on 29!! Possible: more recycling options at the transfer stations.
Good restaurants,
not shoving all new homes and businesses in concentrated areas like the new plan for commercial businesses on Walker Road. Causes choke points.
Better planning and zoning. Stop building in "service districts" just outside of Warrenton and annex the land into the town.
Limit development.
A healthy balance between open green space and development.

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
More walkable communities where daily needs - shopping etc - are within walking distance, which means decent sidewalks and proper walking bridges over highways. Also development of southern Fauquier sports complex, which should include pool. I'd also like to see new developments as part of existing towns, i.e. instead of building a subdivision on a field that sits like a little enclave in the middle of nowhere, build developments where new streets connect to old and include sidewalks. Set borders beyond which towns cannot be developed and keep green spaces between. This would concentrate growth where there are already towns and services. I'd also like to see faster decisions on issues. A good example: while Warrenton/Fauquier has been discussing building a single roundabout and has made no decision, Culpeper Co. has already built two roundabouts and moved on! And, more than anything, Fauquier needs to ensure that all residents have access to fast internet service at their homes. There are already people who have trouble selling their homes because their internet access is terrible, as is their cell phone service. Technology is not going to go away and Fauquier residents, including our children, are being left behind. You can't work from home without fast internet and cell phone service, for example. A fast communications structure is essential for business development. This is a major issue that requires public funding subsidies in order to make sure that services are extended to all residents, even to those of us who live in an "unprofitable" area.
Easier access to outdoor activities, walking/biking trails. I would like to have the ability to walk into town to visit restaurants/shops etc.
Affordable Housing and Commercial Tax Base
Continued emphasis on upscale, local businesses and restaurants.
Like to see coordinated effort to eradicate poverty and hunger in this very wealthy county and to see that ALL residents have ready access to the best health care.
Beautify our entry points and landscaping. A rude coworker said they drove through on 29 and Warrenton looks like a rundown dump with nothing but gas stations and car dealerships.
Movie theater, bowling alley, go carts
Evolve Vint Hill smartly, be cautious of added business on Rt 29
Smart growth in service districts. More agriculture for food (not only horses and cattle for tax breaks). Cell phone reception everywhere.
More Attention paid to improving our current businesses and less planning for bigger business development in the town of Warrenton
More Parks and Preservation of our historical places.
Better cellular coverage down Springs Rd!
High speed internet
More Convenience
Services available in Service Districts and development in Service Districts
No more development
Less government
More restaurants, shopping, movie theatre, bars - things for young adults to do
Sewage growth
Services and jobs.

Q5 - What improvements or changes would you like to see over time?
I would like to see more living wage jobs in the county so fewer of our residents need to commute outside the county
infrastructure
More things to do for our younger generations. Bring some businesses in so we don't constantly have to go to Gainesville for the things we need, but do it in a way that keeps the feel of Fauquier.
Empty Stores filled before building new.
More jobs, less commuters, more tourists
Fauquier's great strength is its natural beauty within easy striking distance of metropolitan amenities. The trick is to focus on preserving and improving the former while making more convenient access to the latter. (Not easy, but you asked.)
More agricultural growth
Cost of living needs to go down (the cost is too high for the median income, etc.), our youth can live closer to the city for similar cost, Continue to conserve and protect our rural lands and farmland, more growth in growth areas (theater, etc.), better and larger recycling program, more solar energy
Better access/markets for local food products/producers
Emphasis on SMALL business growth; no more 'big boxes'
less housing
More activities for children and teens
Higher paying jobs
Better community facilities in South
None, absolutely none
use of easier planning and less reg.
More culture and diversity
Traffic control
Improved Internet and Cell phone

**Q6 - Show us what makes Fauquier County a great place to live! upload a picture of your favorite place, favorite street, or something that makes you proud of where you live. (optional)**



**Q7 - How would you best describe the type of place you live in now? Count of Responses**

Rural area but not on a farm	99
Suburban style neighborhood	67
On a farm	53
Town	40
Village	16
No Response	8
Do not live in Fauquier County	4
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>287</b>

Q8 - What best describes your ideal place to live?	Count of Responses
Rural area but not on a farm	80
Small town	74
On a farm	66
Small village	23
No Response	23
Suburban style neighborhood	16
City or downtown	5
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>287</b>

Q9 - What are your top three reasons for living in Fauquier County?	Count of Responses
Rural setting	204
Friendliness of local people	132
Historic and cultural heritage of the county	119
Proximity of metropolitan areas	74
Access to outdoor recreation	63
Attractive communities and neighborhoods	60
Cost of living	57
School quality	27
Other (individual responses listed below)	23
<p>Proximity to work</p> <p>wonderful community, sense of belonging, great local resources, great local government</p> <p>Charming, rural small town, friendly community, close to great medical and shopping but with the small town coziness and beauty of rural living.</p> <p>Business reason</p> <p>Nothing to live here for</p> <p>Health care</p> <p>Farms</p> <p>open space</p> <p>Equine culture</p>	

Q9 - What are your top three reasons for living in Fauquier County?	Count of Responses
<p>I live in PWC and it has changed so much in the last 15 yrs. I actually drive to Fauquier for its' beauty. What Nokesville had been. It sickens me that you want to attacht.millensial who have no regard for the past, much less the aged. Will the whole of Virginia turn into a money seeking mess? Think twice before seeking this avenue. Money will come from folks who wish to escapee the metropulis for the rural community and it's people. Stand firm and embrace that difference or you'll just be another parking lot for the popular to drive by. Ask Leesburg how that worked out. Or Fairfax.</p> <p>Born here</p>	